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DECLASS REVIEW by NGA/DOD

Ed -

ACDA has asked NPIC and the DDI Contract Officer to handle this contract administratively (on a reimbursable -- transfer of funds basis) for ACDA. Reason?: They cannot move it fast enough through the AEC.(!) clearance channels prescribed for them, and still use FY-70 funds.

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I do not think it is proper for me to approve doing this, especially after having ^{examined} ~~looked~~ the nature of the work being contracted. Also, I do not like the idea of abetting circumvention of ACDA's prescribed contract channels.

OSR is knowledgeable about this contract. I think it is up to

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K1 you or [] to approve
our handling it for ACDA --
or not. If you approve, []
K1 [] will make an effort to
move it fast enough to get it
in the FY-70 year.

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JJH For Review

John:

X1 This morning I met with [redacted] again with regard to the ACDA request from [redacted] for us to contract a task with [redacted]. Attached are the documents that pertain. 25

X1 [redacted] reports that he can handle this request as an additional task order on an existing contract that we have with [redacted]. He is willing to do so and can handle within the time frame required if we get the proper response from ACDA in transferring [redacted]. 25

X1 [redacted] is willing to handle since it is a minimal effort on his part. His main concern is that we make it clear to ACDA that they must contract themselves for any follow-on effort. Nick states that it appears that there will be a sizeable follow-on contract. He would hope that we make it clear to [redacted] that he must initiate steps now to get this into ACDA contracting channels. 25

X1 The major reason that ACDA is so anxious for us to contract for this is timeliness. They are hopeful that [redacted] will do this relatively small job soon. If they have to go through their own contracting channels, work cannot commence until security certification has been received through Civil Service and AEC channels. This will involve some delay. 25

X1 [redacted] reported to me this morning that this contractual effort is related to some work that he is doing with [redacted]. 25

X1 I suggest that you touch base with [redacted] statement. If there is an overall advantage to the Agency in assisting ACDA in this contract, perhaps we should agree to help them out in this instance. If we do agree to assist them, I believe [redacted] should reply to the 25 May ACDA memo to [redacted] pointing out that we will help them out in this one instance but make it clear that the follow-on efforts will be their contractual responsibility. 25

X1 I have Messrs. [redacted] on standby in case you would like to meet with them and discuss this matter further. Whatever you decide, it would be helpful to reach a decision this afternoon since the sands of the Fiscal Year are rapidly slipping away. 25

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